

Child Care in Virginia

Type	Number of Facilities	Capacity	Monitoring	Complaint Investigations of Licensing Issues	Regulatory Authority
Licensed Family Day Home	1,323	Maximum 12	Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) – twice a year	VDSS	22VAC-40-111
Voluntary Registered Family Day Home	893	Maximum 5	VDSS Approved Contract Agency checks 10% of homes on USDA Food Program, VDSS checks 20% of all	VDSS and Contract Agency	22VAC-40-180
Family Day System Home	1	Normally maximum of 12	VDSS Approved System – quarterly	Family Day System	22VAC-120
Locality Approved Family Day Home	Unknown	Maximum of 5-12 dependent on locality	5 or less – Locality	Locality and VDSS	
Unregulated Family Day Home	Unknown	Maximum of 5	None	VDSS	
Licensed Child Day Center	2,468	2 or more at a setting not the provider's home.	VDSS – twice a year	VDSS	22VAC-40-185
Unregulated Child Day Center	Unknown	2 or more	None	VDSS	

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NOTE: Every child in Virginia is protected by law against child abuse and neglect. Allegations of abuse and neglect are investigated by local departments of social services. The Child Protective Services Hotline number is 1-800-552-7096.